

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 5, between lines 18 and 19 and before the heading BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS, insert the following new paragraph:

--Figure 8 represents a flowchart setting forth the steps according to the invention.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--By way of non-limiting example and with respect to Figure 8, there can be defined as the residual value an absolute value of differential parametric shape, of the type:--